

### REMARKS

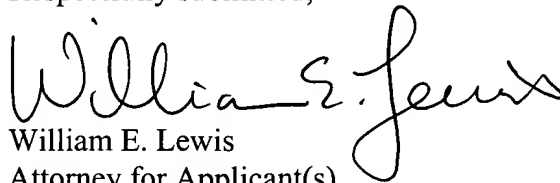
Applicants have amended the present specification at page 10 and the drawings at FIG. 4 to address the objection raised in the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection.

In an outstanding Office Action, the Examiner required restriction of claims 1-33 of the above-referenced application to one of the following groups of claims: claims 1-14, 16-29 and 31-33 (Group I) and claims 15 and 30 (Group II).

Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement to the extent that Groups I and II are indicated as requiring separate prosecution. Claims 1-33 recite optimized search functions. As such, Applicants believe that claims 1-33 are searchable in the same search effort and, therefore, should not be subject to restriction.

In the event the outstanding restriction requirement is not withdrawn, Applicants hereby elect with traverse the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1-14, 16-29 and 31-33, for prosecution on the merits, and cancel without prejudice to pursue in a continuation application the claims of Group II, i.e., claims 15 and 30.

Respectfully submitted,



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